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Daycares remain closed, advocate for reopening support

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Staff Reporter

Most parents weren't surprised that daycare centres didn't open on June 12, the first day they were permitted to by the province as part of the COVID-19 reopening plan, local daycare operators said.

"[They] knew that it was an impossible scenario and a few had questions as to timelines but I also had very quickly put out a message to all of our families that we would not be opening on Friday or even next week," said Denise Wolm, registered early childhood educator at Wee Care, Haliburton.

Since the announcement June 9, child care operators have pushed back, saying they heard the announcement at the same time as the rest of the province, and were not given adequate time to prepare facilities and re-open programs safely for staff and children – with fines for violating guidelines up to \$3,000 per child in attendance per day.

"I was shocked and thoroughly disappointed in Premier [Doug] Ford and Minister of Education [Stephen] Lecce," said Wolm. "There was complete and utter lack of respect for the child care field as a whole and the educators in that field."

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Restaurants begin reopening process

Highlands residents Rick Gooley, left, and his son Grant have a beer following a round of golf on the patio on Friday, June 12 at McKeck's Tap and Grill in Haliburton. This was the first day that restaurants were allowed to open their patios to the public, part of Stage 2 of the province's reopening plan following months of closures to slow the spread of the coronavirus. /DARREN LUM Staff

Patients could stay in town for out-of-town appointments

SUE TIFFIN
Staff Reporter

As non-urgent appointments are made available throughout the province and residents are contacted for specialty visits, Ontario Telemedicine Network allows for virtual care for out-of-town engagements.

"Part of Ontario's publicly-funded health care system, virtual care through the OTN ensures that everyone has easy access to the best possible care when and where they need it," said Carolyn Plummer, Haliburton Highlands Health Services CEO, in a weekly update on June 15. "This is especially valuable for rural communities such as ours with limited transportation options and excessive com-

mutes to larger centres. Patients are connected to the physician using video conferencing and tele-diagnostics. The clinic is supported by a nurse who works with patients and doctors to ensure all of the required information is provided to make the most of your appointment time. Privacy is provided and ensured during your visit."

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Discuss telemedicine option with your doctor

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The HHHS main clinic site has been moved to a new space in the Minden hospital site. Patients who think OTN could work for them should discuss this option with their physician, visit www.otp.ca/patients or call the HHHS OTN office at 705-457-1392 x2365 for more information.

Physiotherapy services accepting new referrals

The HHHS physiotherapy team is reaching out to patients on hold or on a waitlist, to restart services based on risk and priority. The clinic will be functioning at a reduced volume at the HHHS Minden auditorium, where it has been relocated.

"HHHS is glad to see this enthusiastic team and important service back in action," said Plummer.

Visiting long-term care

After last week's announcement from HHHS that outdoor visits were being organized, Premier Doug Ford announced on June 11 that long-term care visits under guidelines that include visitors receiving a negative COVID-19 test can begin June 18.

Plummer said HHHS was "pleased" with the news.

"We have worked diligently to keep our residents and staff safe during the pandemic," she said in the June 15 update. "While excited and relieved, we must remain diligent with planning to ensure this is done in the safest possible way for everyone. All visitors must adhere to strict guidelines before meeting with relatives residing in LTC homes and we are working now on obtaining further clarification on these guidelines as well as developing policy and process that aligns with the direction we have received from the ministry. We look forward to sharing further updates with families in the next few days."

Long-term care residences in Haliburton County have reported no positive cases of COVID-19 among staff or residents, with the Ministry of Long-Term Care issuing direction that all LTC staff should be tested for COVID-19 twice during the month of June.

On June 12, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit reported an outbreak in Fenelon Court long-term care home after one symptomatic resident tested positive for COVID-19, and a suspect outbreak at Pinecrest Nursing Home after a staff person with atypical COVID-19 symptoms tested positive for the virus. Both outbreaks were declared June 11. A previous COVID-19 outbreak was declared at Fenelon Court long-term care home on May 18 and declared over on May 30. A COVID-19 outbreak that resulted in the death of 29 people began at Pinecrest on March 18 and was declared over on May 14. At press time, there were no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Haliburton County, with eight cases previously resolved.

Daycares say they weren't given enough time before reopening date

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Schools are given months to prepare for everything and even emergency child cares [open during the pandemic] were given three weeks to prepare to open, yet they think we can open safely in less than three days. I knew immediately that it couldn't be done."

Wolm said that although she has been making some preparations and plans for an eventual re-opening, she "wasn't able to set anything concrete in place," without further regulations from the government, noting, "we still don't have all the information we need."

"I feel that we should have been given some notice to prepare to open and then they could have released a statement that indicates that they had been in contact with daycare operators providing them with a plan for reopening and an aim to open in a three-four week time span maybe," said Wolm.

Guidelines for reopening child care centres were distributed after the announcement by the province, and include suggestions for putting additional hygiene protocols and physical distancing in place, but also suggestions that child care operators throughout the province have criticized, including "avoiding singing activities indoors," "planning activities that do not involve shared objects or toys," avoiding plush toys, providing items like playdough for single use available to a child for the day, and cleaning and disinfecting toys and equipment "at a minimum between cohorts."

Wolm said besides these regulations requiring extra time and staff, the rules put in place for dropping children off at the door without parents being allowed inside, after months of kids being away and isolated from the public are unrealistic and could be frightening

for young toddlers.

Kinga Baricz, RECE, pedagogical lead/culture lead, Compass ELC in Minden, agreed.

"How can you not sing to a child? How can you not hold a child?" said Baricz. "In this type of field, those children need your hugs. They've been home for 14 weeks, coming back to basically a new environment. These are all changes."

Last Friday morning, Baricz attended a rally held outside Peterborough-Kawartha MPP Dave Smith's office alongside approximately 60 other child care and daycare staff and supporters.

"I've always felt that we have to stand up for children's rights, because we are the ones that need to advocate, they can't do that, especially not the little ones," said Baricz. "I believe that children truly deserve the best. So we need to make sure that environment is set up for success, the best we can do with what we have right now, based on COVID-19, safety first, and a plan in place to make sure this space is the best for the children."

"We have partnered with the Ontario Coalition for Better Child and the Association of Early Childhood Educators of Ontario to produce an excellent roadmap: *From Reopening to Recovery A Plan for Child Care Reopening in Ontario and Moving to a Publicly Funded System*," reads a June 9 response from Compass Early Learning and Care, which operates the Minden daycare. "However the government has decided to make the decision to reopen with very little notice, a lack of consultation by experts, and without addressing a retroactive funding decision that has left child care organizations across the province in a deficit position. As a not-for-profit organization, this plan leaves us in a precarious situation."

Compass ELC said that "due to a lack of stable funding and a comprehensive plan for reopening, we are unable to open at this time." The board and senior leadership team planned to meet to develop plans for "a safe reopening."

On June 12, child care operators in Peterborough which includes Compass ELC signed a letter stating they would not reopen until two conditions were met: "reinforcement of funding to cover all costs during the closure period, including staff wages, and a base funding model that would cover reopening costs for extra staffing, reduced fee income, cleaning supplies, PPE, alternate materials and staff training."

"It's not like we don't want to open, absolutely we

want to, we can hardly wait to see the children, it's just to have that safety first," said Baricz.

On June 13, in a letter posted by Stephen Lecce, the minister of education noted a plan was developed with Ontario's chief medical officer of health and medical experts requiring child care operators to follow strict health protocols by putting measures in place that promote safety of staff, children and parents prior to reopening.

"A critical component of this announcement allows for child care facilities to begin preparations for reopening under the new measures, and once met, they will be permitted to reopen," said Lecce in his letter. "While child care centres can now re-open with strict safety and operational requirements in place, we know that many will take additional time. That is understandable and something we expected, given the importance of getting this right."

All child care settings will be required to have a COVID-19 response plan if a child, parent or staff member/childcare provider is exposed to COVID-19.

"We are providing child care facilities the flexibility to begin reopening, on their own timelines, once all of the strict health and safety guidelines have been met," said Lecce.

Lecce's letter said that "Our plan includes flexible financial support for areas like cleaning and PPE. There is also available funding for enhanced staffing levels as centres reopen. Our direction to operators to maximize all available support under Canada's COVID-19 Economic Response Plan, including rent supports that the province is co-contributing, enables this approach."

Child care operators online replied to the letter with complaints of wanting to see the funding before they could believe it was coming.

"My message to parents is that we need to gather information, train staff to the new policies and protocols and have all safety measures in place prior to opening," said Wolm. "Our number one priority is safety for everyone so until we have everything in place, we will not be opening."

The government has also enabled summer day camp programs – but not overnight camps – to reopen this summer. According to the Ontario government, there are more than 5,500 child care centres and 124 licensed home child care agencies across Ontario.

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G7 student senate fights for climate action

ZACHARY ROMAN

Staff Reporter

The G7 Student Senate presented their climate action plan to the Trillium Lake-Lands District School Board at its regular meeting of the board on June 9.

One representative from each of the seven high schools in TLDSB come together to form the G7 Student Senate. The senate's main goals are to help communications between students and bring student issues to the TLDSB board of trustees.

Kaylee Kelly, TLDSB student trustee and student G7 representative for Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, said that climate change is rapidly affecting communities around the world and that we'll all be facing consequences if we don't take action.

Inspired by Indigenous water activist Autumn Peltier and Swedish climate activist Greta Thunberg, the senate wanted to make a plan to help the school board become sustainable, prioritize environmental issues and set the standard for all school communities.

So, they got to work. They created a 10-part climate action plan that aimed to be realistic and efficient. At various times, senior administration spent time with the G7 senate and provided feedback on the plan.

Larry Hope, director of education for TLDSB, introduced the plan to the board and made it clear just how much work went into it. "What you see in front of you this evening is really the culmination of a significant amount of research, forward thinking, insightfulness, and what I would call just great intuition about what's going on," said Hope. "Our young people are very influential not just within their schools, but within their communities and their homes. And we're hoping that what you see in front of you, [will] have influence on what happens within TLDSB for the years to come."

The senate took turns outlining the different phases of their plan. In order from first to last, the phases are: education and commitment; mental health and student

advocacy; technology considerations; waste management; energy connections; food resilience; resource management; carbon-conscious transportation; creation of eco-spaces; and evaluation. The plan is intended to be a living document that can grow and adapt as it is implemented, used and reviewed at schools across the board.

Kelly presented the mental health and student advocacy section, noting that while connecting climate change and mental health is a relatively new study, it is especially important for vulnerable populations and people with pre-existing mental health conditions. Included under the mental health and student advocacy section was a plan for Indigenous inclusion. "Indigenous peoples are a vital part of the TLDSB Climate Action Plan," said Kelly. "We need to bring a balance in ourselves and the world around us by seeking guidance from ... Indigenous peoples, because we must recognize that our responsibility as stewards of Mother Earth is our most important job."

Some other notable recommendations from the plan are to conduct waste and energy audits, create a community garden and move towards sustainable student transportation.

The entire plan, explained in more detail, will be posted on tldsb.ca. The plan will be distributed internally to all staff members and it is ready for implementation at the start of the next school year.

When the plan was finished being presented, Gary Brohman, Haliburton County school trustee, was impressed. "[That was a] level four plus presentation and document," said Brohman. "I don't think the United Nations can do a better job."

Draft budget

There was no draft budget report ready for TLDSB trustees at the June 9 meeting. TLDSB administration is still awaiting information about the government's Grants for Student Needs – without it, they cannot complete their budget. The board expected this, as they understand the funds are delayed due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Once GSN information is sent to the board, it is required to

submit a balanced budget to the Ministry of Education by mid-August.

Summer school

TLDSB has received extra summer funding from the Ministry of Education to put towards helping students who may have fallen behind due to the closure of schools during the COVID-19 pandemic. Included in this extra funding was money for mental health supports and a program focusing on Indigenous students. Hope said this was the first time the board

has received funding for student mental health support in the summer.

The vast majority of summer course offerings will be offered online and are running as usual. There is a small chance in-person course delivery could happen in the last two weeks of August if public health approves it.

TLDSB's next regular board meeting's location is to be determined. It will take place on Aug. 25 at 6:30 p.m.

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Rail Trail reopens for ATV use

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Staff Reporter

In a Facebook post made on June 9, the County of Haliburton announced that the Rail Trail will be opened to motorized vehicles as of Friday, June 19.

"As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, we ask that all Rail Trail users continue to respect each other and maintain appropriate physical distancing and group numbers," reads the post. "Thank you, stay safe and have fun."

Liz Danielsen, Haliburton County warden and deputy mayor of Algonquin Highlands, said the original decision to keep the Rail Trail open for passive use only was made during a time when it was the last remaining place where folks in the area could enjoy some fresh air and exercise.

"We understand that this was a disappointment to the ATV Association and its members, particularly given that they have a formal agreement with the county for use of the trail during the summer and fall months and that they contribute to its maintenance," said Danielsen in an email

to the Echo. "Unfortunately, during these difficult times, a number of decisions have been made by different levels of government that have disappointed people for a variety of reasons. Given that the province has now declared that a variety of public and recreational spaces can be open and that its state of emergency has only been extended to June 19, the county's Emergency Operations Group agreed unanimously that it was time to open the trail to all users."

Danielsen said that it is the county's hope that everyone will continue to practice safe physical distancing and respect others while using the trail.

Joel Bockneck, president of the Haliburton ATV Association, said he has already received a large amount of positive feedback from riders regarding the decision to reopen the trail to ATVs.

"We are excited to hear that the Rail Trail will be opening to ATVs," said Bockneck. "It is an important link for our members and other riding enthusiasts that want to travel into Haliburton from the south without having to ride on the busier public roadways. The Rail Trail also serves as a link to several HATVA trails in the county."



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Powerful storm

Above, more than a dozen Hydro One vehicles were parked by Head Lake on Friday, June 12 in Haliburton following a storm in the evening of Wednesday, June 10, which left hundreds of residents in the Haliburton Highlands without power. /DARREN LUM Staff

Right, a tree lies across the lawn at the high school in Haliburton on the morning of June 11, following a storm the night before that caused power outages across the county. The storm, which hit much of southern Ontario, knocked trees over and affected hydro distribution. / DARREN LUM Staff



County stays course with COVID-19 recovery

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

Haliburton County's four lower-tier municipalities will continue to deal with recovery from the COVID-19 crisis separately, county councillors decided during a June 10 special meeting.

While there had been some thought given to collective messaging earlier in the ongoing pandemic, the four municipalities have been taking their own

approaches to operations and now, with the phased re-opening of Ontario's economy, recovery planning.

Given that there has been a regional re-opening of some businesses by the provincial government, Warden Liz Danielsen asked her colleagues if they saw any benefit to a countywide approach, "or if you think it's more productive to continue on an individual municipal basis."

"I would say stay the course," said Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin. "After this crisis, I think there'll be lots of conversations, if we want to use a different framework, or how we do that in the future, but in the middle of the game, I'd say we missed that opportunity a couple of months ago, and I'm prepared to live with the status quo for the balance of this."

Dysart et al Mayor Andrea Roberts agreed. Dysart et al is the first of the four municipalities to have struck a COVID-19 recovery committee, which was meeting for the second time last week.

"I don't think we missed any boat or anything," Roberts said. "Each municipality wants to do something to help their communities, and I think that if there's an opportunity through our committee, where we see this is really a county issue, let's work collectively, then we can bring that forward to council."

County council consists of the mayors and deputy mayors of each of the four municipalities. The county is currently having a service delivery review of itself and the four lower tiers conducted by Toronto-based consulting firm Strategy-Corp.

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— Andrea Roberts

Dysart creates COVID-19 Community Recovery Task Force

On Thursday, June 11, the Municipality of Dysart's Emergency Control Group announced the formation of the COVID-19 Community Recovery Task Force, which is to "support our community and municipal recovery and relief efforts throughout and following the COVID-19 pandemic."

The task force includes representatives from the municipal, business and cultural sectors and is chaired by Dysart's Deputy Mayor Patrick Kennedy. Public members David O'Brien, Jim Blake and Andrew Hodgson join municipal representatives Councillor Larry Clarke, Mayor Andrea Roberts, Dysart CAO Tamara Wilbee, and incumbent clerk Mallory Bishop, along with Kennedy.

"As we continue to work on our pandemic response from a public health and municipal operations perspective, we are already thinking ahead to the economic and social recovery that will be needed in the weeks and months to come," said Mayor Andrea Roberts in a press release June 11. "That's why it was imperative that we create the task force now, in order to gather and provide information to our business and not for profit community to help navigate our pandemic recovery from an economic and cultural standpoint."

Five pillars of operation were identified by the task force: communication (getting information out), community (identifying groups' needs and how the municipality can help), economic (focusing on the impact of COVID-19 on business), financial (the impact to the municipality), and corporate (focusing on municipal program delivery impacts and how to modify services).

Sector-specific working groups may be

created to make recommendations to the task force. The task force may also make recommendations to Dysart et al council

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The task force will function not only as a focal point for community driven ideas, input and solutions, but will also be a resource for the community to help navigate the myriad of programs, and assistance available.

— Patrick Kennedy

and give regular status updates.

"As chair of the task force I believe we have assembled an excellent team of core members who have a diverse background in municipal operations, our arts and cultural community, and the business community as a whole," said Kennedy in a press release. "The task force will function not only as a focal point for community driven ideas, input and solutions, but will also be a resource for the community to help navigate the myriad of programs, and assistance available".

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AS INFORMATION about the spread of coronavirus and the devastating effects of the virus throughout the world has infiltrated our sources of information, much has been said about the state of our mental health during a global pandemic.

We've talked about the effects of staying physically isolated from family and friends and community, and of how "The Great Pause" might have opened our eyes to how our way of life before the pandemic didn't always allow us downtime to appreciate traditional ways of life or relaxing time at home with family. We've talked about how the pandemic will cause continued stress for those of us who didn't qualify for the Canada Emergency Response Benefit, who needed a thriving tourist industry to survive another season, who will face unemployment long after the initial shutdown is long over, who face the stress of returning to work while the pandemic is still ongoing, or who were already experiencing feelings of stress, isolation or helplessness. We are all more aware of and talking openly about mental health stressors, leading to what is hopefully a better understanding and acceptance of anxiety, depression, grief and the importance of a state of well-being for all, pandemic or not.

As the province reopens, we need to continue looking out for ourselves and each other, trying to make healthy choices and enabling others to do the same. More people out on the streets will cause stress for some. Not continuing to give space to others, or to wear a mask in public, will negatively affect how others feel. Disregarding guidelines that remain in place can be disrespectful to others. And so we need to continue to care

for each other, and for ourselves as the reopening affects everyone differently.

In some parts of the county, one of the reasons many of us live here – the vast and easy access to the outdoors – has remained accessible, and more spaces, including beaches, parks and trails will reopen or be reopening soon enough. The chance of a breath of fresh air can help keep us physically active, and can also help us visit family and friends – especially those who might have been lonely – outdoors rather than in small indoor spaces while continuing to respect physical distancing guidelines.

If you have been waiting to have non-urgent care from a physician or other healthcare specialist or putting off asking a medical professional about something, reach out via phone to see if it might be available to you now – and do not wait to visit the emergency room if you are experiencing pain or a condition that requires immediate attention.

While other businesses and services reopen, some of the help in place to assist those self-isolating will begin to dwindle – for example, less chance of obtaining curbside service. Reach out to those who might need it – people over 70, those who are immocompromised or with underlying health conditions, for whom a quick reopening doesn't yet always apply, and who you might be able to help if you are going out more.

Most importantly, know there is support in this community if you need it. If you feel overwhelmed as reopening happens, visit haliburtoncares.ca to learn more about immediate crisis support, online mental health support and support for health care workers. We still need each other to get through this pandemic.



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Editorial



Spring tree blossom

by Darren Lum

Day 87

WE ALL HAVE stories we'll tell about our time in this pandemic. How we spent our time, what we learned about ourselves, what was important every day, and how we got through it. We have all faced challenges.

During the first week when I was at home and my business was closed I decided I would lead a 100 day loving kindness meditation on my Facebook page. I've always wanted to do more meditation in my business and in my life and so on a whim I posted the event and set off to lead it. I really didn't have a plan. I did some research and in a traditional loving kindness practice there are four sections of 25 days.

The first 25 days are dedicated to cultivating loving kindness towards yourself, your loved ones, your community, to people who you have a hard time with and eventually to all beings. All beings including two legged, four legged, feathered, those that swim in oceans and lakes and rivers, those that hop and slither and finally all flowers and trees. The idea is that all beings are full of life, energy, spirit and we should love them all.

The second 25 days are about cultivating compassion for yourself and all beings. Compassion for the times when we, or anyone, is having a hard time.

The third 25 days are about cultivating joy and gladness. Noticing joy, focusing on things you are glad for and having sympathetic joy for all beings. Being happy for the good fortune of all.

Right now we are in the final 25 days which are about cultivating equanimity. Balance. Living in the

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world with a big open heart and helping out, but not taking on the problems so you don't get burnt out from over-giving. The idea is that you help others without being attached to the outcomes.

Everyone is responsible for their own happiness. It is hard work to do and equanimity relies on a strong sense of love and compassion. I have learned so much leading this practice, and it has helped me when I have been lost in my own mind worrying, being full of fear or doubt or anger or sadness. I have the practice that I keep leaning into for support. And I have the connection of the fellow meditators.

Sunday, June 21 is Father's Day and it will be day 87 of the loving kindness meditation. As I sit to lead the meditation on that day I will dedicate the practice to all dads. I will be thinking of my own dad who is 92 and is staying strong in this pandemic. He has lived through a lot in his life and he keeps carrying on. I will think of my husband who is a loving, present and fully engaged dad. He loves his daughter and it shows in every way.

I have many friends who are dads full of love for their children and engage with them in so many ways. Every dad does it in their own way and makes a difference. Every kid benefits from a dad who loves them, spends time with them and is there for them through the good times and the challenging ones. "May all dads be filled with loving kindness. May all dads be well. May all dads be peaceful and at ease. May all dads be happy."

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points of view

The transitional dog

BACK IN THE old days, dog ownership was exceedingly simple. You would just visit any small town in the country and ask a storekeeper, "How much is that doggie in the window?"

To which he would almost always reply, "Five bucks."

You would then counter with "Five bucks? Why so much?"

That's when he'd laugh, pat you on the back and point out that you have a good eye for dogs. Then he would concede that it was obvious he could not outwit you in a business transaction.

He would point out that the mutt you are asking about was special because it had a "waggly tail," while the others did not. And there was something in his voice that made you realize he didn't want to let it go for any price. So you'd offer him \$6.50 to seal the deal.

From that point on, the dog was yours and yours alone. For no one in your family would want to admit to that sort of excess.

In many ways, I miss those days, because at least back then you knew exactly where you stood with the dog that lived in your house. These days, it is far more complicated.

For instance, even though I was the one who contacted the breeder, chose my new pup, named her and shelled out the money, Rosie is only mine some of the time.

That's because, these days, dog ownership is a transitional, maybe even communal, concept.

Basically, there are three modes. And all of these are from your partner's perspective. They are: our dog, my dog and your dog.

For example, my pup Rosie is referred to as "our dog" by Jenn, but only when Rosie is well behaved, sleeping, remaining calm or when another person brings up the topic of dogs and says "We have a new (pick a breed)." To which, Jenn will say, "Our dog is a springer spaniel." (Sometimes followed by "Want it?")

On the other hand, when Rosie is being cute and affectionate, or when Jenn needs a heart-melting post for social media, she refers to Rosie as "my dog." And there will be no mention of the small part I played in acquiring, paying for, or raising it.

I know this might seem a little unfair but rest assured, there are more than enough times when the new pup – the one you chose, named and paid for – is actually deemed "your dog" by your partner and even the rest of the family.

These special times include, but are not limited to, when the dog needs to go out for a walk at 5 a.m. or after 8 p.m. or during an entertaining TV show, or when it is cold, buggy or rainy. The same applies when it has had an accident in the house, needs feeding, has a veterinary appointment, is barking too loud, is rough housing, scooting, cleaning herself in front of polite company, begging, chewing on something it shouldn't, chasing cats, sitting on the couch, leaving pawprints on the floor, running roughshod through the garden, is muddy, wet or stinky, is acting generally annoying, is eating socks or underwear or has placed a landmine on your lawn or anywhere else. During all these times, everyone else will gladly acknowledge that the dog is yours.

You'd think with all these behaviours, it would always be your dog. But that's why you pay a little extra for the waggly tail.



Loon Tales

steve
galea



pic of the past

This photo shows St. George's Church burning in the distance in March 1920. J.C. MacKenzie was the new Anglican minister at that time who started to preach in the new frame church which was designed by John Belcher, a Peterborough architect. According to Nila Reynolds's book *In Quest of Yesterday*, the white structure with its bell tower entrance which overlooked Head Lake, contained an organ donated by the widow of humourist Thomas Chandler Haliburton, who chose to perpetuate her husband's memory in a musical way. Its lovely tones led the weekly worship for half a century until Sunday morning, in March 1920, when the beloved building burned to the ground. The present Anglican church of brick, similar in design, was constructed by Mr. E. Fetterley. It was opened by Bishop of Sweeney of Toronto on the morning of Oct. 24, 1923, in the presence of a large congregation which included the popular Rural Dean of Haliburton, the Rev. J.H. Stringer.

letters to the editor

Late-night garbage

To the editor,

Last evening [June 7] at about 5:30 p.m. a grey car pulled up to the gate of the new building on Highway 118 and two guys got out of the car and dumped bags of garbage out. There must have been booze bottles in the garbage bags as we could hear them rattling and maybe breaking. My wife yelled at them and someone up higher in the

building also yelled at them, so they quickly ran to the car and took off at great speed.

It is no wonder that people get disturbed with the way some of these folks act!

Thanks for listening.

Don Cameron
Haliburton

Beaking

Two circles of vultures on funnels of air
Tall thermals keep feathers aloft
Poor whitetail slow-dies sad below them
in grass

Soft scents on soft breezes up-waft

Twelve carrion-eaters rotate for a time
In spin first instead of descent
Till one makes a move and then drifts
slowly down

Beak damp for a primary dent

Not much in free nature is waste or excess
Organics recycle to source
This genius balance writes only one book
In wild perpetuity's force

Blind ego of sapient two-legged selves
Now swallows earth's ancient heartbeat

Long gift of millennia withers in scope
As humans sweet landscapes delete

Those vultures make short work when
movement has ceased
Their lunch for today once had life
Its earth time gave energy to searching
wings

And beaks, lifespan's natural knife

Such cycles in wildness good
patterns sustain

To keep the land clean and well-fed
When appetites covet too much of the wild
Unravels original thread

By Deborah J Reed

Combatting isolation and anxiety during a pandemic

Point in Time in strong financial position following 2019 fiscal year, AGM attendees hear

JENN WATT

Editor

What would have been the standout accomplishment of the last year for Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents has been in the last few months overshadowed by the unprecedented challenges posed by the global coronavirus pandemic. And in the wake of the isolation and anxiety it has brought, staff and volunteers have stepped up, said the organization's executive director Marg Cox during her report at the annual general meeting on June 9.

The meeting was held via videoconferencing and included more than 50 attendees, who heard about the new issues faced by service providers as well as the causes for celebration, including the launch of the Haliburton County Youth Wellness Hub and the dedication of staff.

"We know that the opening of the youth hub [in February] and physically opening our doors, having our grand opening, was anti-climatic compared to what youth are going through in our community now. ... People are physically isolated. Mental health issues that were pre-existing have often been retriggered," Cox said, adding that at least one in five children and youth will experience mental health issues.

In the last year, Point in Time has provided counselling services to 273 children, youth and families, 243 children and families have received early intervention services, and 124 children participated in the Summer Adventure Day Camp offered through the organization. Overall, 893 children and youth were served through various programs.

The county's residents have been struggling, board president Sandy Adams said during the meeting on Tuesday.

"We have watched members of our own community struggle with anxiety and job loss, financial stressors, health concerns, all while trying to determine how to keep themselves and those they love safe in light of unprecedented health and public restrictions. But here at Point in Time, like so many other essential services, children's mental health needed to be cared for, families needed to be listened to and our people needed to be kept safe," Adams said.

Staff have been using technology to connect with clients using phone, video apps and text messages. In a joint message in Point in Time's annual report, Cox and Adams highlighted how the organization has distributed gift certificates for food, gas, phone usage and technology; promoted the haliburtoncares.ca resource; and participated in a working group on a used phone and tablet drive and to increase access to internet hotspots.

"[The lyrics to] Joni Mitchell's song – 'You don't realize what you've had till it's all gone' – makes us appreciate the important role that the youth hub, family fun night and respite services play in people's lives," the report states. "We hope that when this [pandemic] is over and we are able to reopen those programs, that we all realize the importance even more that social contact and supporting each other has."

The pandemic has brought a few silver linings, the members heard. Among them, a lessening of stigma



Joan Wilson, right, is recognized with applause for her 35 years working for Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents, and its previous iterations, during the annual general meeting on June 9 held over the Zoom videoconferencing app. She was presented with a plaque during the meeting by Michelle Wolfe-Miscio, left, who did so at a safe distance. / Screenshot

around mental health issues as more people seek support; better understanding of the possibilities of new technology; and people working better together.

Cox also pointed out that for some, having the guaranteed monthly income from the government has actually lessened their anxiety "because for the first time they're receiving a stable income."

She said policymakers should pay attention to that outcome and take it into consideration when determining "the importance of a living wage for people."

"[I]t has made such a huge difference in people's lives when they're not necessarily struggling to find out where the next meal comes from and actually have some stability. It actually can go a long way to improving our community and everyone's best interest," Cox said.

The AGM also included an update on the organization's finances, which Jason Becker of BDO Canada called healthy and in good order. "At the end of the year, Point in Time had a surplus of just over \$190,000. This combined with the surplus from the previous year were used to finish the Youth Wellness Hub project, pay off the mortgage and still be able to put aside about \$90,000 for future budget and expansion needs," he said.

The annual report shows revenue of about \$2.5 million in the 2019 fiscal year and expenses of about \$2.3 million.

Several people were also acknowledged at the meeting for their commitment and long service. Shelby MacMillan marked five years as part of the youth justice team and was noted by Cox as a tech guru. Cathy Constantino was recognized for 10 years in which she worked in several programs including family support, early intervention and family fun night. Kelly Harrison has chalked up 25 years with the organization as a data special-

ist noted for her knowledge of the agency and community. Ed Galati is a project manager who Cox recognized for his ability to juggle multiple issues at once, is readily accessible, and committed to the county's youth. Dr. Kevin Nugent has worked as a consulting psychiatrist for 19 years for Point in Time, who was thanked for his invaluable contributions to youth and families. Stephanie McLaren, VP at Haliburton Highlands Health Services, was also recognized for managing logistics for transportation to the youth hub and her leadership of the service provider network. Miranda Marles was acknowledged as a board member who brings strong insights to her role and contributes her perspectives as a teacher and parent.

A special presentation was also made to Joan Wilson who is retiring after 35 years of service.

"Over the years she has mentored many in numerous therapeutic modalities, supervised, coached, completed psychological assessments, provided outstanding counselling and support and played a critical role in leading the agency in accreditation and helping to lead and direct the agency," the annual report states.

Wilson was surprised by the honour and members watched online as she was presented with a plaque by Michelle Wolfe-Miscio (at an appropriate physical distance).

"It's been quite a ride. It really has," she said. "...My roles have changed over the years and I've learned so much from so many great people that I've worked with. It's just been such a rich experience. It's been so important."

Someone on the call yelled out "we love you, Joan!"

"You're making me cry. And I didn't expect this," she said.

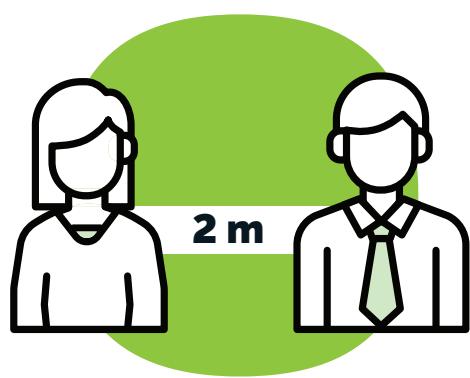
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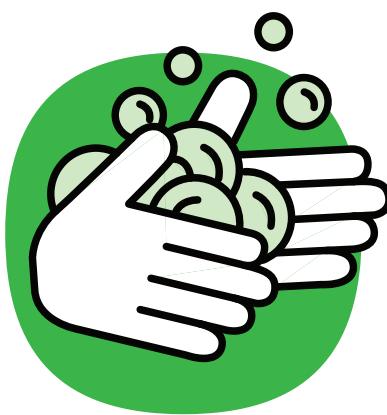
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COVID-19 questions answered during CKL town hall

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

A virtual town hall hosted in City of Kawartha Lakes on June 11 brought information from city and health officials straight to residents via the internet and cable television.

"We are constantly sharing our updates from the municipality on our regular mediums, such as the website, social media and local newspapers, however this was another opportunity to provide important information from all community partners front and centre," said Ashley Locke, communications, advertising and marketing officer, corporate services, for Kawartha Lakes.

The one-hour town hall was broadcast via YouTube and Cogeco and included, virtually, panelists from City of Kawartha Lakes; Kawartha Lakes Paramedic Service; Ross Memorial Hospital; Community Care, City of Kawartha Lakes; Kawartha Lakes Family Health Team and Dr. Lynn Noseworthy, medical officer of health for the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit.

Panelists spoke to the local response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and answered questions submitted by residents prior to the meeting. Repeat broadcasts of the meeting will run on cable this month in HKPR regions.

Statement from Dr. Lynn Noseworthy, Medical Officer of Health, HKPR

When I first agreed to participate in this virtual town hall a few weeks ago, I thought I would speak about the health unit's COVID-19 response and the public health messaging we have been sharing – assume other people have COVID-19 and conduct yourself accordingly – so maintain physical distancing, wash your hands frequently and thoroughly, cough or sneeze into a tissue (or your elbow if you don't have a tissue), wear a face mask or covering when you go out and cannot maintain six feet/two metres distance from other people, and stay home if you are ill. Those are all still very important messages, but so much has changed in just a couple of weeks.

We now have an expanded testing strategy from the province that enables anyone with or without symptoms to be tested.

The premier has announced a regional approach to the reopening of services, and starting tomorrow [June 12], businesses within our area are being permitted to open under Stage 2 of the province's recovery plan.

And with the recent death of George



City of Kawartha Lakes held a virtual town hall meeting on June 11 that broadcast information from a group that included Ron Taylor, CKL CAO, and Dr. Lynn Noseworthy, Medical Officer of Health, HKPR District Health Unit. Noseworthy is seen in the bottom left frame./Screenshot from June 11 virtual meeting

Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota, we are witnessing demonstrations around the world as people speak out against anti-Black racism.

If there is one thing that can be said about 2020 it's that it is a year of change.

It all began late last December when we started hearing about a new virus that had appeared in Wuhan, Hubei province China. By the end of January, we saw the first case of the novel coronavirus in Canada and on March 14 we saw our first case of COVID-19 in the City of Kawartha Lakes. It's amazing how quickly things escalated, and the world changed for all of us.

In January, the health unit reviewed its pandemic plan and began ramping up its response to prepare for the potential arrival of this new virus. Since then, we have been meeting regularly with the Ministry of Health, and Public Health Ontario to learn all we could about this new virus – what it is, how it is transmitted, the symptoms it causes, how to test for it, and public health measures to prevent infection. This information continues to evolve.

The health unit set up a call centre to respond to the hundreds of phone calls coming in daily from health care providers, community agencies, municipal governments, school boards and members of the public.

We continue to receive phone calls and provide many resources on our website for the public, have sent information packages to community groups, businesses and organizations to assist throughout the pandemic, and are now providing resources to support businesses and organization in the reopening of the province.

We put most of our public health programs and services on hold and moved our staff into the response work until the majority of our 135 staff were working

solely on our pandemic response. Many of our staff now work on case and contact management, a lengthy process, which involves contacting each confirmed case and reviewing everywhere they went, and every person they were in contact with during their infectious period (48 hours before their symptoms began).

We have worked closely with our health care partners, preparing for cases, and helping to set up assessment centres for testing. We have worked with our municipal partners, organizations that oversee congregate settings like shelters and retirement homes, and farmers who are bringing migrant workers into the province to work.

The City of Kawartha Lakes is one of three upper tier municipalities served by the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit, and unfortunately, it is the area within our jurisdiction where we have seen most of our cases. As of today, there are a total of 156 cases in CKL and 32 deaths – 28 of which are related to the outbreak at Pinecrest Nursing Home.

We are now entering the second phase of the province's re-opening. Our health unit is one of the areas permitted to move into Stage 2. While I know we are all happy to see the return of hair salons, outdoor dine-in services at restaurants, and an increase in the number of people we can now see, I urge you all to remember the public health measures that helped us prevent the spread of the virus. We all need to be diligent in continuing to practice physical distancing, wash our hands thoroughly, wear a mask or face covering when we are out and cannot maintain that six feet/two metres of separation from other people, cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, and stay home if we are ill. We are entering a "new normal" but it is still far from the normal we knew in the past. We need to continue to work to protect ourselves and others from

the virus. Without a vaccine, these public health measures are the only things keeping us healthy and helping to stop the spread of the virus.

I frequently get asked about wearing masks. Initially it appeared there was no reason for people to wear a mask when out in public and that only those caring for others should wear a medical mask. As I said previously, we are constantly learning new things about the virus and evolving our messages about how to protect ourselves from this virus. We came to learn that many people who have the virus are asymptomatic and could be spreading the virus without realizing it. That is why the messaging changed and we now recommend people wear masks when they are out and cannot guarantee a six-foot distance from others – when we wear a mask it is to protect others from any virus we may be spreading unknowingly. As we see many more retail businesses and workplaces open in the province, it's important that they follow provincial guidelines to implement safety measures to protect their workers, clients and the public, which may include the use of barriers, physical distancing, hand sanitizers and the use of masks.

I have been pleased to also see the use of masks and physical distancing in the media coverage of recent demonstrations against anti-Black racism. We all have duty to speak out against racism and it's encouraging to me to see people do it safely.

There is no room for racism in our world and public health has been working for many years to put an end to racism. We know that visible minorities are often at a disadvantage when it comes to health. They are often living closer to others in crowded neighbourhoods, do not have access to higher education so they do not get good paying jobs. Because of that, they do not have enough money for healthy foods, and may not have access to the health care services we often take for granted. Data from around the world have shown that those living in poverty, visible minorities and older adults have been the hardest hit by this virus and we need to find a way to end all racism, address poverty, and protect our older adults so that we can ensure the health and well-being of all people.

In closing, my message to you all is that we need to continue to be diligent about protecting ourselves and others against this devastating virus. We need to continue to be considerate, kind, caring and support all people, whatever their age, gender, or race, to stay healthy. That to me is a "new normal" worth achieving.

CKL virtual town hall questions submitted by Kawartha Lakes residents

With the province reopening some areas, including our health unit area, won't people from the GTA, which is not reopened, flock to the Kawarthas? How can everyone stay safe if so?

Dr. Noseworthy: A few months ago when everything was closing down in the province, we started seeing a number of people travelling to their personal cottages. The message at that time from the province was that people were asked to take all of their supplies with them so they didn't need to make any additional stops along the way to minimize the people they came in contact with. They were also asked to follow the public health measures – stay home if they were ill, maintain physical distancing from others, and wear a mask if they could not maintain that six foot distance.

Now the province has introduced the

second phase of the provincial re-opening, and cottage rentals and resorts are once again able to operate and welcome guests. There have been a number of safety protocols recommended for all businesses to follow under the re-opening, and cottage rentals and resorts are no different. Even though the restrictions are relaxing in many parts of the province, people are still asked to follow the public health recommendations. People are not being asked to self-isolate, but if they are ill they should be staying home. If they are going out into the communities where the cottage is located, they should be maintaining physical distancing and wearing a mask when they are out and cannot guarantee they can stay six feet apart from others. They should continue to wash their hands frequently and thoroughly and use alcohol-based hand rub when they visit any retail stores or establishments wherever they travel.

Communities in cottage country have always prepared for summer visitors and it is no different this year. I think the assessment centres that are in place are centrally located and easy for people to visit if they are travelling to the area. Retail and grocery stores have the safety protocols in place and any shoppers, whether they be local residents or cottagers, are asked to follow the safety measures in place at each establishment.

Why doesn't the health unit provide more details about the location of active cases, breaking it down by community within the district – Fenelon Falls, Bobcaygeon, etc?

Noseworthy: The health unit posts updated information about the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases in

each county on our website daily. We include the number of high-risk contacts, the number of probable cases, the number of people who have been hospitalized, the number of cases that have been resolved and the number of deaths. We also provide a detailed epidemiological report that includes information on the gender of our cases, and the age range.

We do not provide information broken down by lower tier municipality or community. This is done because the health unit has the legal responsibility to protect personal health information it has collected under various pieces of legislation such as the Health Protection and Promotion Act. Although it may seem that our geographic area has a large enough population to make it

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an individual, we essentially cover three counties comprised of small towns and it could be very easy to identify someone who tests positive.

A test result is a snapshot in time. If a person tests positive, that tells us that they had contact with an infected person probably about two weeks prior. It would have taken the person 10 to 11 days to show symptoms of an infection, more time to get the test and then time for the health unit to receive the test results back. In the meantime, before the person showed symptoms or if they ever developed symptoms, they would be out in the community. This is why I keep reminding people to treat everyone they encounter as if they have the virus – maintain physical distancing, wear a mask if you are out and cannot guarantee a distance of six feet, wash your hands frequently, stay home if you are ill. These are the measures that will help keep us all healthy – more so than knowing whether someone in your town tested positive.

We have learned over time that some people can have COVID-19 and not have any symptoms, or any of the typical symptoms. This means that people could encounter an asymptomatic person at any time or in any place. Knowing where a positive case lives will not protect someone from getting ill. We need people to recognize that COVID-19 is in the community and they are at risk of getting the

virus so it's important to follow all of the public health precautions to protect themselves and stop the spread.

If a person has been in contact with a confirmed case, they will be called by the health unit. Every confirmed case is contacted by our staff so that details can be obtained about every place that individual visited or person they were in contact with during their infectious period. Every one of the identified individuals (a contact) is then contacted and told to self-isolate and watch for symptoms. If the contacts develop symptoms, arrangements are made for them to be tested for COVID-19. This case and contact management is very thorough and can take hours to complete. Health unit staff are in contact with cases and contacts daily to ensure they remain in self-isolation for the required period of time.

As well, the health unit recently issued the Section 22 Class Order under the Health Protection and Promotion Act that allows the health unit to seek fines for people who do not self-isolate after they (a) have been confirmed to have the virus, (b) have signs and symptoms of COVID-19 (have been tested and are awaiting results), c) otherwise have reasonable grounds to believe they have symptoms of COVID-19, or (d) have been a close contact of a person mentioned in (a), (b) or (c). Health unit staff are in contact with these individuals daily to ensure they remain in self-isolation for the required period of time.



A burst of colour downtown

Jeff Teatro helps BIA president Luke Schell hang a flower basket on Tuesday, June 9 on Highland Street in Haliburton. Nearly 70 flower baskets were installed on light posts throughout the village, part of the annual effort by the BIA to beautify the downtown area.
/DARREN LUM Staff

Province injects funds into health care

Haliburton Highlands Health Services will receive an increase in funding from the province of \$199,000, part of the government's COVID-19 action plan.

The annualized funding represents a two per cent increase for HHHS, according to information from MPP Laurie Scott's office.

Ross Memorial Hospital received more than \$3.7 million, which is part of a prov-

incewide increase of \$935 million.

"I'm delighted to announce this increase in annualized funding for our local hospitals," Scott said. "This investment helps to solidify the care our community deserves."

Funding was annualized for small- and medium-sized hospitals to provide financial stability and relief.

Staff

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SOLD			East Moore Lake \$799,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Custom-crafted 4 season, under 2H from GTAOpen concept interior, sunroom & WO to deck3-bedroom, 2 bath, large second level loftExtreme privacy, to 239' of deep clean shoreline	Moore Lake \$429,500			<ul style="list-style-type: none">Turnkey, 3 season cottage under 2H from the GTASpacious open concept interior w/ 3 bedroomsOn a 3-lake chain W/ rippled sand shore & West Exp.	Industrial Park Rd \$1,350,000			Century Farm Property \$269,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none">12,000 sq ft of mixed use industrial and commercial spaceSitting on a private 6.75 acre lot in HaliburtonUnlimited possibilities with this building!	
NEW LISTING			Soyers Lake \$474,900	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Quiet bay, 344' waterfront4 season home2 acres	Miskwabi Lake \$449,000			<ul style="list-style-type: none">Idyllic 1920 Sq Ft country home2+2 Bedrooms, 1.5 bathroomsOpen concept living, fully renovatedDeeded access to Miskwabi Lake	Minden Executive Home \$549,000			Cameron Lake \$750,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bungalow w/finished walk-out lower level4 Bdrms, 2.5 baths, Cathedral CeilingsOn Beaver Creek, 2 acres,Det'd Dbl Garage & Det'd Insulated, Heated Shop	
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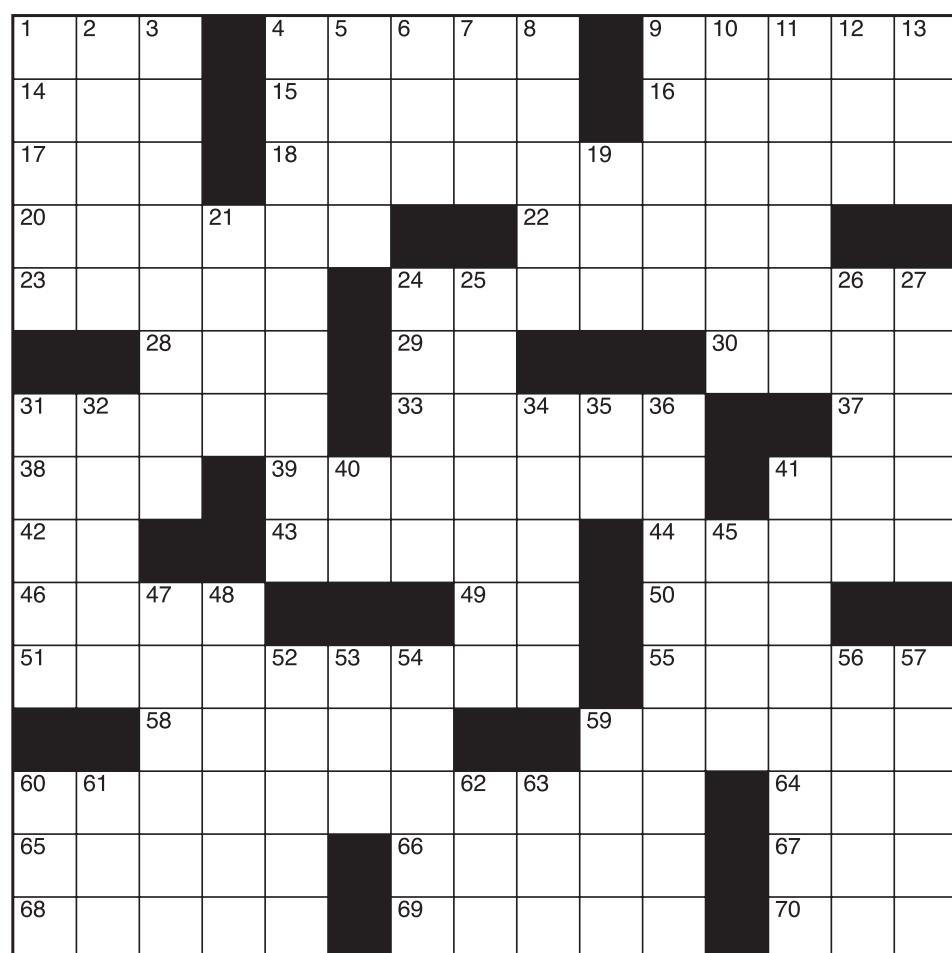
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- Type of turtle
- Swiss river
- MLB Hall of Famer
- Places to sit
- Fancy rides
- One of Washington's Tri-Cities
- Without class
- Male child
- Keeps you cool
- Biblical place
- Italian city
- District in central Turkey
- Job for a grad student
- Central nervous system
- Arrange in steps
- Witch
- Promotional material
- Having certain appendages
- Approaches
- One who did it (slang)
- Of I
- Blood relation
- Works out

CLUES DOWN

- Civil Rights group
- Metropolis
- Badgers
- Regular business given to a store
- Gets older
- A bundle of banknotes
- Midway between north and northwest
- Takes to the sea
- Prestigious film prize: d'or
- Baltimore ballplayer
- Removed
- Term of respect
- Genus containing pigs
- Illumined
- One who symbolizes something
- Member of a Turkic people
- The academic world
- "Key to the Highway" bluesman
- Hang-ups
- Long, leafless flower stalk
- Categorize
- Loads
- Indicates position
- Unreasonable
- Dorm worker
- Dweller
- Welsh female name meaning "snow"
- Offering again
- National capital
- Firm, dry and brittle
- 007's creator
- Allied H.Q.
- Mackerels
- Month of the Hindu year
- Not odd
- Belonging to a thing
- "Boardwalk Empire" actress Gretchen
- Religion
- Equal, prefix

Answers on page 14

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed during a June 9 regular meeting of Highlands East council which was held remotely and broadcast online.

Highlands East has a new fireworks bylaw, restricting the use of fireworks to specific times around holiday celebrations only.

Those holidays are New Year's Eve, between 7 p.m. and 1 a.m. the following day, and the following holidays between 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. on the weekend preceding and including the statutory holiday: Victoria Day, Civic Holiday, Labour Day and Canada Day between 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. the weekend prior to Canada Day, the weekend directly following Canada Day or on July 1. Flying lanterns are not allowed at any time. Community events using consumer fireworks that take place out of the permitted times must be granted special permission by council. The issue of fireworks use has long been a challenge for councillors, some who told acting fire chief Chris Baughman when he brought the concern to council on Sept. 10 last year that residents had contacted them with environmental and noise concerns numerous times over the years.

Highlands East prepares for reopening

The municipality's Emergency Operations Control Group continues to meet electronically once a week.

"Office staff and department employees are back at work and practicing physical distancing or wearing the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) when distancing is not possible," reads a report from Baughman. "Preparations are taking place in order to open the municipal offices to the public (barriers, signage to encourage physical distancing and pre-screening before entering). Programming will be introduced as we are advised it is safe to do so with the appropriate safety precautions in place."

Insurance cost increases, again

For the second year in a row, the municipality is facing another substantial increase in insurance costs for the upcoming year.

A 2020 insurance renewal report from Brittany McCaw, deputy CAO/treasurer

says the municipality will see an overall increase in insurance costs of 28.68 per cent over last year's premium amount.

"While the increase for our current renewal is not as high as our previous renewal (47 per cent), for 2021 we continue to see another volatile insurance market," said McCaw in her report. "After discussions with BFL Canada, 2019 saw the hardening of the market with insurers withdrawing from certain classes of business, increasing premiums/deductibles and placing limits/restrictions on coverage to mitigate their exposure. 2020 continued the same trend of hard market terms and then the COVID-19 pandemic hit. It is too early in the pandemic to determine what the potential impact of COVID-19 will have on the insurance market. Lloyd's of London's initial estimates state that Lloyd's share of the COVID-19 losses will be in the range of \$6 billion CDN with an overall cost of over \$100 billion to the global property and casualty insurance industry. BFL has worked hard on the municipality's behalf to ensure we receive a fair renewal for 2020/2021 but unfortunately, these are the results of a challenging insurance market."

Last year, the insurance renewal through BFL Canada came at a cost of \$226,644 plus applicable taxes, an overall increase of 47 per cent over the previous year's premium amount of \$159,184. McCaw said at that time the increase was due to a "significant claim pay out in 2019," and was an increase that was "much larger than was originally anticipated."

At that time, staff had planned to go to market with a new proposal for the 2020 year but McCaw's report this month said that due to time constraints relating to the COVID-19 pandemic, "this did not take place." Staff will prepare RFP documents at the end of this year to go to market in early 2021, according to McCaw. BFL Canada has provided insurance coverage to the municipality since 2010.

Waste Wizard app launches

The municipality's Waste Wizard app, a waste management information tool, was launched on the municipal website on April 30.

"The municipality is in need of a tool that will assist with a desired increase in diversion and reduction in contamination by providing residents with informative up-to-date waste information," said Stewart Hurd, environmental supervisor, in July last year. For more information, visit <http://www.highlandseast.ca>.

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Books soon available for pickup at Dysart library branch

ZACHARY ROMAN

Staff Reporter

Haliburton County Public Library is set to begin testing its curbside pickup pilot plan on June 25 at its Dysart branch, which is located at 78 Maple Avenue in Haliburton. The decision to start offering curbside pickup was made at a June 10 regular library board meeting which was held via online video conferencing software Zoom.

According to a letter to the library board from HCPL's CEO Bessie Sullivan, the curbside pickup plan developed by the administration staff of HCPL involves a no-touch arm's length system for people to pick up materials. She also said the plan can be accomplished with their current number of staff.

At the library board's May 27 meeting, Sullivan's plan to test out curbside pickup at 30 minute intervals was discussed – but the board pushed back the discussion to the June 10 meeting after deciding that they needed more time to prepare the plan.

When the plan was brought up again at the June 10 meeting, Andrea Roberts, vice chair of the library board, said she wanted to start it but struggled to see why it would take 30 minutes per patron. "I really think that we should be trying to do [curbside pickup]," said Roberts. "I personally feel it could all be done in 15 minutes, at least get [four orders out] an hour, otherwise it's too slow."

Board member Lisa Schell seconded Roberts's opinion. "I think it's time to try this even if it is just as a pilot for two weeks," said Schell. "I found the 30 minutes to be a bit excessive."

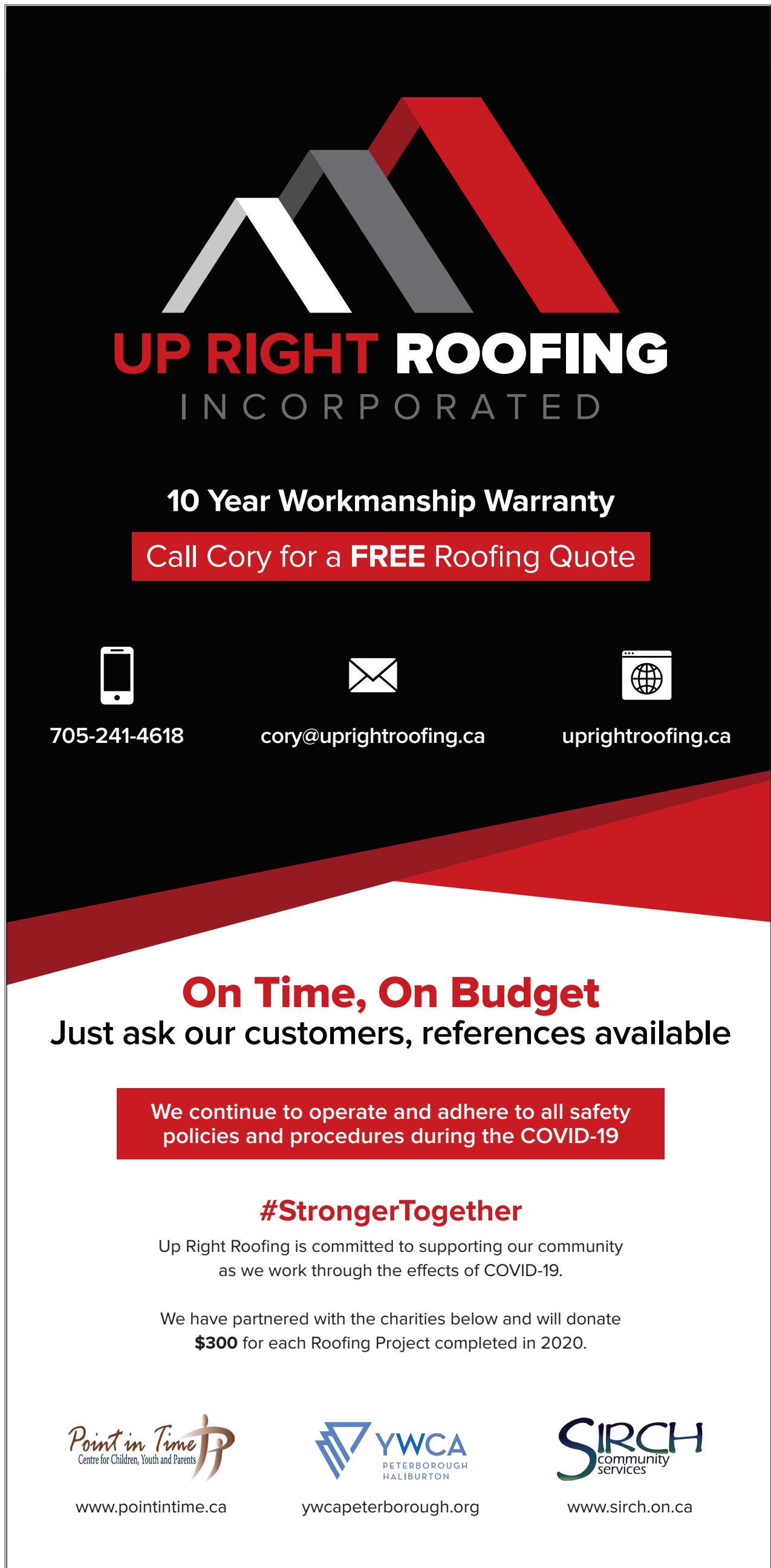
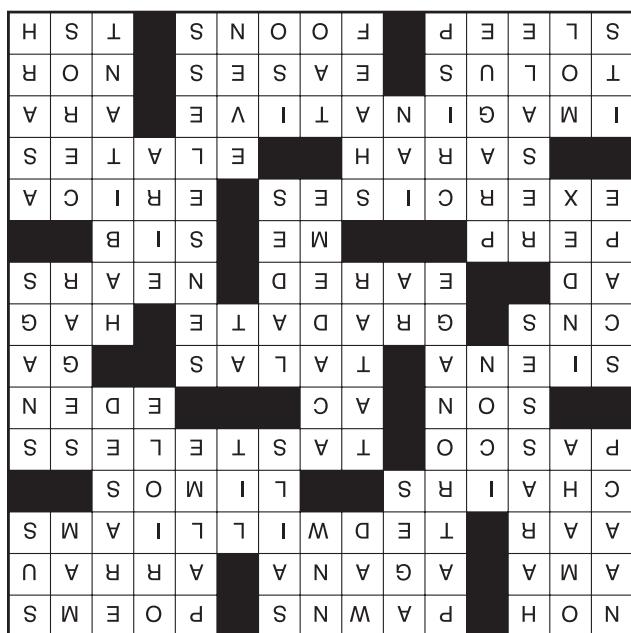
Sullivan proposed a compromise of 20-minute intervals, to which the board eventually agreed. "So that's three an hour just to get our groove," said Sullivan. "Our plan is to increase as soon as we can safely do so."

Sullivan said she would like to get the intervals down to 15 minutes. The board agreed another meeting would not be necessary to make this change, so they gave her discretion to change the pickup interval safely as she sees fit.

Sullivan is planning on a two-week trial of the curb-side pickup pilot at the Dysart branch. If that goes well, she said the next branch to implement curbside pickup would be Minden's, because of the large number of people it serves.

Anyone in the county is allowed to arrange to pick up books from the Dysart branch – no matter which branch they usually go to. Starting June 25, library patrons can reserve books for curbside pickup at the Dysart branch via phone, email, or the library's website.

CROSSWORD ANSWERS



Lions pounce on opportunity to fund local learning

Service club gives \$1,000 to library for Maker Kits

The Haliburton and District Lions Club is helping to purchase Maker Kits. Maker Kits, also called STEAM Kits, focus on enhancing children and youth understanding of STEAM - science, technology, engineering, art, and math. STEAM education fosters problem-solving, creativity, curiosity and innovative thinking, valuable skills that will allow children to be successful in the future in any industry. Maker Kits may contain books, instructional activities, and/or a toy or game. The Haliburton County Public Library already has maker equipment that is used in Mini Makers in-person programs and looks to add kits to their lending library.

One of the many ongoing initiatives of the Haliburton Lions Club is their commitment to enhancing literacy learning for children. To this end, the Reading Action Program has included giving new books to local school children and to the Dysart and Wilberforce library branches; organizing community literacy events such as

Stories in the Park and our Children's Christmas Party; hosting author readings and book presentations; and, constructing and maintaining our Little Free Library.

Now, the Lions are excited to present the Haliburton County Public Library a cash donation of \$1,000 to be used to purchase Maker Kits. CEO Bessie Sullivan said that an individual kit would be somewhere between \$300 and \$500. Both Sullivan and program coordinator Nancy Therrien were thrilled to receive the donation and note that, in addition to new kits, the donation from the Haliburton and District Lions Club will also provide the opportunity to take some of their inventory and divide it among the existing kits.

The Haliburton Lions invite you to check out Maker Kits when you are once again able to take your children into the library.

Submitted by Lion Gail Stelter



The Haliburton and District Lions Club made a donation of \$1,000 to the Haliburton County Public Library on June 13 to purchase Maker Kits, designed to teach children about science, technology, engineering, art and/or math. From left, Lions Jim and Marilyn Frost; Nancy Therrien, programming and outreach at HCPL; Lions Kathryn Kidd and Gail Stelter, Lion Betty Mills presenting the cheque; and Lions David Mills and Jane van Nood, outside the Dysart branch. /JENN WATT Staff

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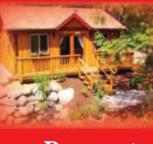
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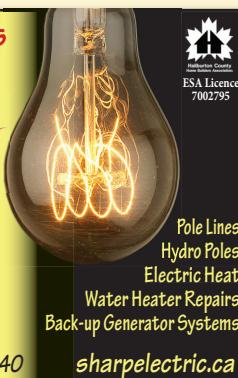
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Tune in, turn on to local virtual events

The following is a list of upcoming events being held virtually online over the next few months in Haliburton County. Please note – additional events will be added, and times could change. Check in on websites and social media pages of organizing groups for updates.

Weekday mornings, 10:10 a.m. Online Storytime

Read, sing and make alongside the Haliburton County Public Library team. Videos air live on the Haliburton County Public Library Facebook page, while some can be watched on-demand at bit.ly/hcpl-youtube.

June 20, 10 a.m.

Algonquin Highlands Writers Circle
Chat via Zoom – contact Brenda Peddigrew at brenda.peddigrew@gmail.com for further details or to join in.

June 20, 7:30 p.m.

A Night Out, Night In: Haliburton Folk Online

The Haliburton County Folk Society continues a series of online live music performances with a concert featuring Ryan VanLieshout.

Visit <http://www.haliburtonfolk.com> for more information.

June 23, 2 p.m. Community of Making: Maker Breaks – Salt Art

Join the Haliburton County Public Library on the Haliburton County Public Library Facebook page for a live Maker Break. Previously aired Maker Breaks are available at bit.ly/hcpl-youtube

June 23, 6:30 p.m. J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School Graduation

Grade 8 students will be honoured via a virtual celebration shared on the elementary school's website at <http://www.jdh.tdsb.on.ca>.

June 24, 2 p.m. Minden Book Club

The Haliburton County Public Library hosts a book club meeting the last Wednesday of the month, via Zoom. Contact Nancy for details at ntherrien@haliburtonlibrary.ca.

June 24, 7 p.m. Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Commencement

Join the community in celebrating our graduating high school students at a virtual ceremony via a link on the school's website at <http://www.hhss.on.ca>.

June 25, 9 a.m. Haliburton School of Art and Design

Convocation

Fleming College's 53rd convocation ceremony will take place virtually on June 25 and 26. Convocation packages will be sent to students this week with further information. Follow <https://flemingcollege.ca/convocation> for details as they are confirmed.

June 25, 2 p.m. Community of Making: Maker Breaks – Scraps and Scribbles Pocket Journal

Join the Haliburton County Public Library on the Haliburton County Public Library Facebook page for a live Maker Break. Previously aired Maker Breaks are available at bit.ly/hcpl-youtube

June 30, 9 a.m. Stanhope Book Club

The Haliburton County Public Library hosts a book club meeting the last Tuesday of the month, via Zoom. Contact Penni for details at pchalk@haliburtonlibrary.ca.

June 30, 2 p.m. Community of Making: Maker Breaks – Wax and Wire Roses

Join the Haliburton County Public Library on the Haliburton County Public Library Facebook page for a live Maker Break. Previously aired Maker Breaks are available at bit.ly/hcpl-youtube

July 11 Katie's Run

The ninth annual Katie's Run event, which raises funds for epilepsy research, will be a virtual "run-or-walk-wherever-you-are" event. Participants can choose between a 10K, 5K or 2.5K route, running, walking or jogging on July 11 at any time they'd like. Register at <https://www.katiesrun.ca/register.htm>.

Aug. 2, 2020

Highland Yard 2020 [Stay At] Home Run

The Highland Yard raises funds for local non-profit, Places For People, in the name of secure, affordable housing in Haliburton County. This year, virtual runs include a 2K, 5K and 10K but also new additions of a Heritage 7.3K and a freestyle run of any distance. Visit HighlandYard.ca to register by Aug. 2 at 11 a.m.

Sept. 20, 2020

Terry Fox Run, virtual event

Participants are asked to walk, run or ride in Canada's 40th marathon of hope under the slogan, "One Day, Your Way," raising funds for cancer research. Barb Millington in Minden and Andy Salvatori in Haliburton are local organizers of the event. Visit terryfox.ca/terryfoxrun/minden or terryfox.org to register.

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Lea Bartlett holds up her new soap, Bee 4 U, which she created to raise funds for SIRCH's Community Kitchen. The proceeds from the sale of the soap are being donated to the initiative that has given out more than 5,700 free meals since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. To date, Bartlett has sold 88 bars of soap, resulting in a \$792 donation. Her goal is to sell 200 bars. /Photo submitted by Lea Bartlett

Soap maker gives back to SIRCH Community Kitchen

When COVID-19 hit the Haliburton Highlands, Lea Bartlett of Treehouse Soap began looking for a way to give back to the community she lives in to help people get through the pandemic. A soap maker for more than seven years, Bartlett thought what better way to help than to create a special bar of soap that would promote washing your hands and do something good at the same time.

"I wanted to do something for the community ... of course soap is front and centre in a lot of conversations right now," she said.

Since the end of April all the money from sales of Bartlett's Bee 4 U soap have been donated to SIRCH's Community Kitchen. To date, 88 bars have been sold, resulting in a \$792 donation to the organization. "When I tallied it up, I had no idea," she said.

"It's nice to be able to contribute. People want to contribute. They're getting something back in return but they are also giving to a wonderful cause."

Bartlett's goal is to sell 200 bars of the soap.

The force behind Treehouse Soap, Bartlett was inspired by the work SIRCH was doing with their Community Kitchen during the pandemic – work which includes giving out more than 5,700 free nutritious meals, as well as thousands of soups and servings of fruit since the start of the pandemic.

The Bee 4 U soap includes an imprint of a bee based on a wood stamp her 94-year-old father created. The ingredients of

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— Lea Bartlett

the soap include Haliburton honey and Ontario beeswax and pollen. All of Bartlett's soaps are made in small batches and in her home-based studio. She makes and sells more than 30 varieties. "I love the process," she says.

Bartlett believes sales of the Bee 4 U soap have been going well because people want to give back in any way they can during such a challenging time. "I looked at my dad and said look at this bar of soap, this bar of soap almost pays for two meals. Think about it," she said. "Doesn't that just blow you away? And if that's a little thing that I can do, I'm happy to do that."

For more information about Treehouse Soap and how to purchase a bar of Bee 4 U soap, visit www.treehousesoap.ca.

Submitted by Angelica Ingram

Nature enthusiasts asked to hold tight for Barnum Creek opening

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

The public will have to wait for the official opening of the Barnum Creek Nature Reserve, previously planned for this spring, due to COVID-19 precautions.

"We do not have a date for the opening of Barnum Creek," Haliburton Highlands Land Trust chairperson Mary-Lou Gerstl said in an email last week. "[It] has been difficult because of COVID as we want to make the opening an event. Work does continue on the property and we had hoped to have it opened a few weeks ago."

At nearly 500 acres, the reserve boasts a diverse ecosystem, which includes hardwood forest, mixed wood forest, marsh and swamp and an open upland successional forest habitat, the land trust website states. It is also a short drive from Haliburton.

The land was donated through the Federal Ecological Gifts Program by Margaret and Leopoldina Dobrzensky in June 2018. The land trust is responsible for the long-term management of the property.

"The land trust's fabulous volunteers worked all last fall and winter to clear and sign the trails," chairperson of the Barnum Creek management committee Sheila Ziman wrote in an email a few weeks ago. "We've just about fin-

ished that, but we are waiting for a few other things to get completed. We need to ensure a safe parking area for people, print and erect the trailhead kiosk poster, and publish a brochure that includes a trail map before we can open the reserve to the public. We are working on all that, but the pandemic has slowed down our efforts in a variety of ways."

The land trust also manages the Dahl Forest in Minden, which has re-opened its walking trails to the public since closing for a short time due to COVID-19. Users are advised to adhere to public health recommendations such as physical distancing while parking and while on the trails, not coming in a group unless it is a group you are living with, keeping dogs on a leash to avoid contact with other people, not touching your face, and washing your hands upon returning home.

Gerstl remains optimistic the Barnum Creek Nature Reserve will be open later this summer.

"It is such a beautiful property and so close to the village of Haliburton. With people now able to get out and hike and enjoy nature, Barnum Creek Nature Reserve offers so much for the outdoor enthusiast. But, we have to make sure we are ready and safety is of the utmost importance. Stay posted as we put the finishing touches on the reserve and get ready for our opening day," she wrote.

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Tammy Nash got these stunning photos of a fawn near her home in Algonquin Highlands. Nash was out on her ATV when she stopped for the deer, which she said walked right up to her as she took photos. Not long into the interaction, she said she heard a rustling and saw the fawn's mother through the bushes. After getting a few photos, Nash said she put her camera down and watched the fawn walk to its mother and the two went back into the forest together.

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Sadly missed
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the silent stream
Where sweet flowers
are ever blooming
And the banks are
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In Loving Memory of
J. Michael Fay

J. Michael Fay was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec 18, 1945 and died in Minden, Ontario on June 7, 2020

He was a loved and loving husband, father, brother and son. He will be forever missed by his family: his life partner, Fay Martin, daughter Krissa Fay, step-daughters Heather McLeod (Arno Kalbus) and Kirstie McLeod (Scott Martin); grandchildren Michael P., Bec, Ria, Ben, Maura-Jane, Sam, David, Katie and siblings Kathy, Peggy and John. He was predeceased by his parents Walter and Mary-Grace, siblings Mary Anne, Patty and Tim and grand-daughter Ella.

Michael was a force for change, a tireless cheerleader for causes and individuals, a gifted organizer and communicator, committed to social justice through-out his life. Before he left the USA for Toronto in 1970 he was a Volunteer for America in Chicago and dedicated advocate for civil rights, including working on Robert Kennedy's 1968 campaign. He continued to organize and advocate for social justice in Toronto, spearheading several community organization initiatives and a key part of CommonAct.

In 1975, he moved to Alberta and became a freelance journalist and published author, studied at the Banff School for the Arts and Bread Loaf Writers Conference with W.O Mitchell, Alice Munroe and others. He founded the Alexandra Writers' Centre and edited the Dandelion. He was twice president of the Professional Writers Association of Canada, and as such negotiated creators' rights in Canada's initial agreement to reimburse writers for reproduction of their work (Access Copyright).

He became a health promotion worker with marginalized and immigrant populations in Toronto from 1982 to retirement in 2002 – some of his key accomplishments of this time include the Speak Out! And Count me In! initiatives and the documentary Salud.

In retirement he moved to Minden where he gave leadership for better library services, the Arts Council, Minden Cultural Centre Foundation, and became a playwright. He founded Conjurors of County Town which produced several original plays, his and others, based on local history and performed outdoors. In later years, he returned to writing short-form fiction, a collection of which: Tenderness and other Stories, was recently published. And Michael continued daily efforts to inspire and engage until his very last days through his FaceBook posts.

The world is a better place because of J. Michael Fay. He touched so many. The family would welcome written letters and cards from those with memories and stories of Michael to share, in lieu of flowers. Those stories are the best tangible tribute and comfort we could receive. Please mail to Fay Martin, 1166 Horseshoe Lake Road, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.

Memorial Donations to Places for People would also be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.

Cremation has taken place.
A celebration of life will be announced later.



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650 OBITUARIES**JENKINS; Elenor May**

Suddenly on Sunday, June 7, 2020 at the Fairhaven Nursing Home, Peterborough at the age of 77.

Elenor Jenkins (nee Whitfield) was the beloved wife of the late Ross Robert Jenkins. Loving mother of Lee (Tammy) and loved grandmother of Brittani Jenkins, Alexander Jenkins and Ryan Westcott. Dear sister of Adrian Whitfield (Marie) and sister in law of Allan Jenkins (Margaret) and Barbara Guarnaccia. Dear aunt to her nieces and nephews. Elenor will be sadly missed by her long time friends Linda Huffman and Bob & Sharon Hooper.

A private family interment of Elenor's cremated remains will be held at the Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. Elenor's family and friends wish to express their appreciation for the wonderful care and compassion she received from everyone at the Fairhaven Nursing Home. In memory of Elenor, donations may be made to the Fairhaven Nursing Home, Peterborough. Arrangements entrusted to Fallis & Shields Funeral Home, Millbrook where online condolences and donations may be made at www.fallis-shields.com.



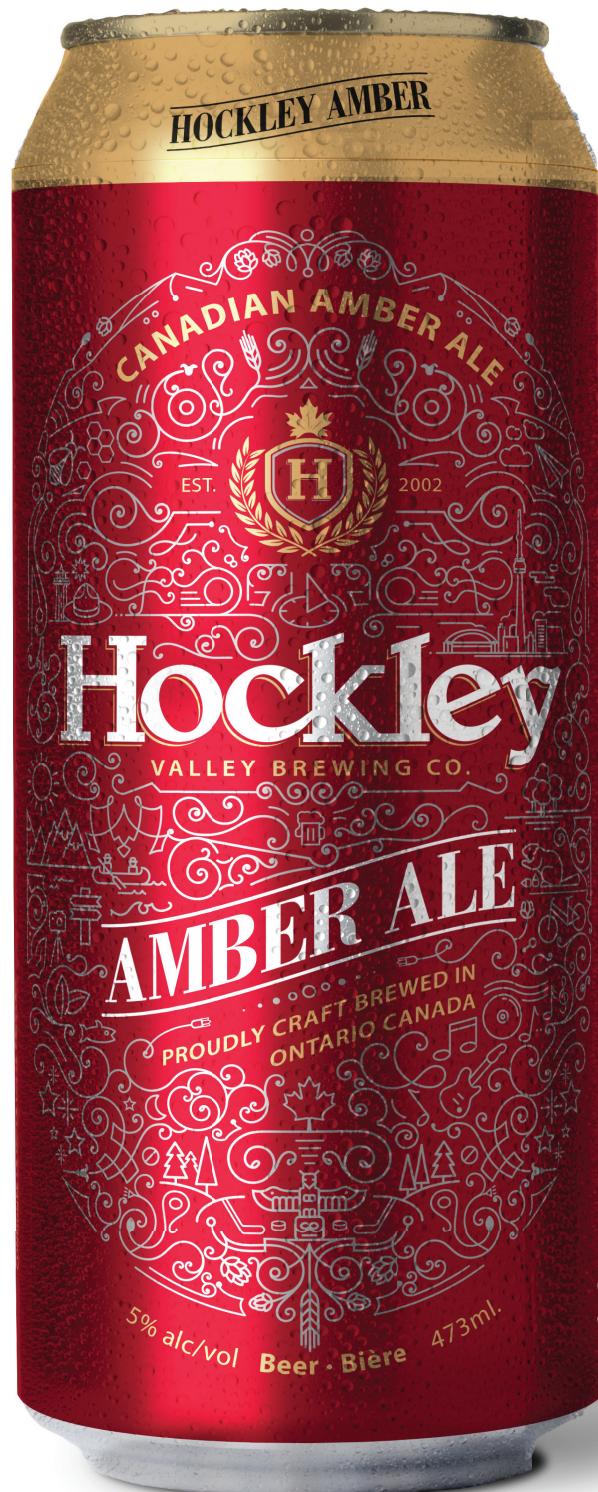
Gerane "Geri" Bonyun - Tyers (nee Richer)
(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

Peacefully at Extendicare-Haliburton on Tuesday evening, June 9, 2020 in her 91st year. Beloved wife of the late Cecil Tyers and the late Joseph Bonyun. Loving mother of Keane, Mary Anne (James Crocker) and Dray (Debbie). Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Melody (Richard Clugston), Shawn (Anne) and Emily, Joel and Daniel and by her great grandchildren, Jack, Morgan and Ashton. Dear sister of Francine (Stewart Hutchings). Lovingly remembered by her nephew Bradley and her niece Lexanne.

Visitation & Private Funeral Service

The family invited friends on Sunday, June 14, 2020 at **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 for a scheduled visitation by appointment only. Due to circumstances surrounding Covid-19, visitors contacted Haliburton Community Funeral Home to schedule a time to visit to offer their condolences to the family. A Private Family Funeral Service was held. Interment Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation or The Gideons International In Canada would be appreciated by the family.

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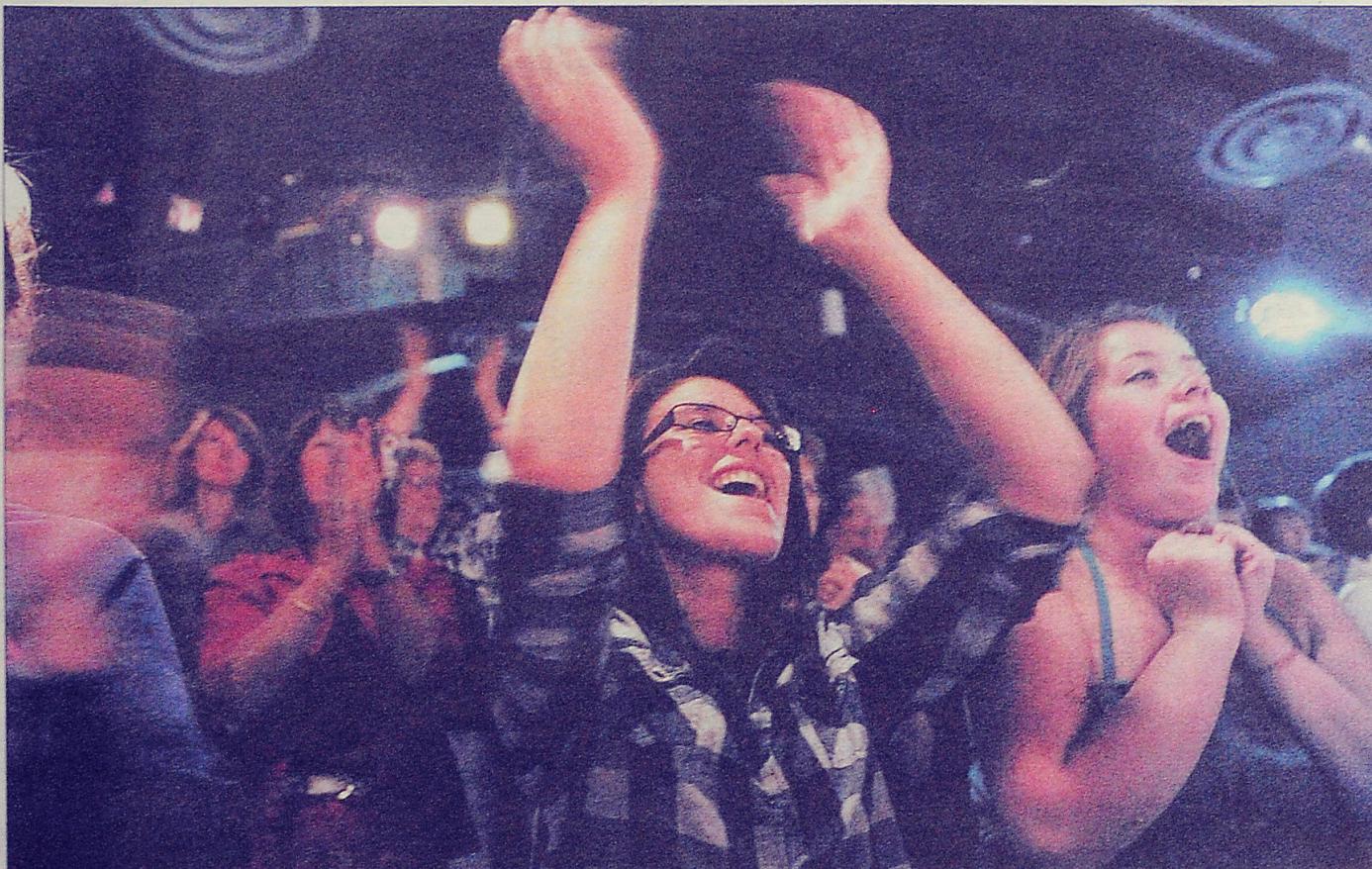
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**A standing ovation for outstanding staff**

Students applaud Haliburton Highlands Secondary School principal Gary Brohman and teachers Walter Tose and Paul Morissette, who were on stage for the conclusion of the As Time Goes By show held in their honour at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion on Thursday, June 17. See more photos on page 18. Photo by Darren Lum.

HUMANITARIANISM**Trip to help Haiti ends up helping helpers****DARREN LUM***Staff reporter*

The Woodwards are seeing life in an entirely new light after their recent expe-

rience in Haiti.

Wade Woodward and his son Jesse went to the earthquake-stricken Haiti as part of a team organized by the Water Ambassadors Canada to help provide access to drinkable water.

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